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DATE OF CONTENT 17 October 194925X1 DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 12 December 194925X1 REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]REMARKS RETURN TO CIA LIBRARY

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1. The MERSBURG (W 52/D #1) airfield was not occupied by Soviet Air Force units. Three cantonment buildings at the north-western corner, and the buildings on the eastern edge of the field were occupied by German police who guarded the field. The construction work at the field was completed. The sodded landing field had a small concrete area in the center and a taxiway extending to the north-east. Plates looking like targets or boundary markers were erected on both sides of the taxiway and the concrete area.
2. A large section of the field was surrounded by a board fence. An armored train and four heavy railway guns of German make were standing on the spur track on the southern edge of the field.

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment:

Report agrees with the observations [REDACTED] on 10 October 1949 and confirms that the field is not occupied by an air unit. The completion of the construction work on the landing field was reported on 28 September 1949.*

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